

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 8, lines 16-17, please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Figs. ~~12A,B,C~~ 12A-12D taken together illustrate expansion and compression of the aid of Fig. 5A, after insertion into an ear canal and in response to mandibular movement;

Page 8, lines 20-21, please replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Figs. ~~14A-14C~~ 14A-14D taken together illustrate molding steps of a method in accordance with the present invention;